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#### **Contractor License Revocations**

**RICHMOND** – The Virginia Board for Contractors issued 17 license revocations at its most recent meeting Tuesday, August 22. Following is a summary of the Board's actions.

Copies of the file orders are available online at <a href="www.dpor.virginia.gov">www.dpor.virginia.gov</a> under "License Lookup." Fines are deposited directly into the state Literary Fund, which is used solely for public education purposes such as school construction, renovation, and teacher retirement funding.

# PREMIER PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES LLC WOODBRIDGE, VA

File Number 2006-05146

COMPLAINANT – Whaley Brown (Gainesville, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Premier failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; failure to comply with "Miss Utility" notification requirements; engaged in negligence or incompetence in the practice of contracting; failed to honor a promise to repair; failed to obtain written change orders; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705094449 and \$9,200 in fines.

### STEVEN GILK trading as VT MANASSAS, VA

File Number 2006-02232

COMPLAINANT – Alfred Ghiorzi (Lovettsville, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Gilk failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; failed to complete work for which he contracted; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and made misrepresentations and false promises to influence, persuade or induce.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705055574 and \$6,000 in fines.

### PETER GILK trading as CREATIVE ASPHALT PAVING AND SEAL COATING MANASSAS, VA

File Number 2005-04908

COMPLAINANT – James Withers (Haymarket, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Gilk assisted another to violate the Board's statutes.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705068874 and \$600 in fines.

#### File Number 2006-00196

COMPLAINANT – Janice Clark (Manassas, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Gilk assisted another to violate the Board's statutes and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705068874 and \$1,900 in fines.

# ANNAISE TYRONE WASHINGTON trading as MORE THAN CONQUERORS HAGUE, VA

File Number 2006-01705

COMPLAINANT – James Lewis (Fredericksburg, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Washington failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; failed to complete work for which he contracted; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705086741 and \$5,400 in fines.

### JAMES F. SARNO trading as MANOR MAINTENANCE HARTWOOD, VA

File Number 2005-05104

COMPLAINANT – Glenn Haddox (Richmond, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Sarno failed to execute a written contract with all required provisions; failed to complete work for which he contracted; and failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705035157 and \$4,865 in fines.

### PRESTON HANCOCK trading as HANCOCK CONSTRUCTION PETERSBURG, VA

File Number 2006-00379

COMPLAINANT - Che sterfield County Building Official

VIOLATIONS – Hancock made misrepresentations and false promises to influence, persuade or induce; failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; failed to complete work for which he contracted; and failed to notify the Board of an address change.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705074499 and \$6,000 in fines.

# CHARLES D. BENNETT, JR. trading as D & F CONSTRUCTION CHURCHVILLE, VA

File Number 2006-00981

COMPLAINANT – Jeff Chanter (Vesuvius, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Bennett failed to notify the Board of an address change; failed to execute a written contract with all required provisions; practiced outside his license specialty; and retained funds related to uncompleted contract items.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705077768 and \$4,500 in fines.

#### File Number 2006-02332

COMPLAINANT – Dane Wade (Staunton, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Bennett failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; abandoned the project; and retained funds related to uncompleted contract items.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705077768 and \$4,500 in fines.

# JASON RICHARD SAINT VINCENT trading as MOOSE AND SQUIRREL CONSTRUCTION ROCKY MOUNT, VA

File Number 2006-02299

COMPLAINANT – Sharon and Rodney Roof (Front Royal, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Moose and Squirrel practiced outside its class of license; failed to obtain written change orders; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705090375 and \$3,100 in fines.

#### DAVID G. ADAMS, SR. trading as DGA HOME IMPROVEMENTS FRONT ROYAL, VA

File Number 2006-01020

COMPLAINANT – Richard Furbush (Winchester, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Adams assisted another to violate the Board's statutes; failed to execute a written contract; failed to operate in the name in which his license was issued; practiced outside his class of license; failed to complete work for which he contracted; and retained funds related to uncompleted contract items.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705067140 and \$7,250 in fines.

#### RANDY WAYNE TURNER WYTHEVILLE, VA

File Number 2006-02098

COMPLAINANT – Carolyn and William Crump (Abingdon, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Turner failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; practiced outside his class of license; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705086547 and \$7,900 in fines.

#### File Number 2006-02672

COMPLAINANT – Lyn and Julianna Hildebrand (Abingdon, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Turner failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; practiced outside his class of license; abandoned the project; failed to respond to an investigator; and failed to notify the Board of an address change.

BOARD ACTION - Revocation of License No. 2705086547 and \$4,800 in fines.

### EUGENE M. MULLINS, SR. trading as FREE SPIRIT BUILDING-N-REMODELING DANTE, VA

File Number 2005-04299

COMPLAINANT – Joyce Phillips (Dante, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Mullins failed to operate in the name in which his license was issued; failed to execute a written contract; practiced outside his license specialty; failed to obtain required building permits; engaged in negligence or incompetence in the practice of contracting; and failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705077037 and \$5,650 in fines.

### JIMMIE CICCONE trading as AIRMAN HEATING & COOLING VIRGINIA BEACH, VA

File Number 2006-02398

COMPLAINANT – Anonymous

VIOLATIONS – Ciccone furnished substantially inaccurate information to the Board in obtaining his license; failed to execute a written contract; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to notify the Board of an address change.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705087852 and \$3,350 in fines.

#### File Number 2006-03887

VIOLATIONS – Ciccone furnished substantially inaccurate information in obtaining his tradesman license.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of (Tradesman) License No. 2710041690 and \$600 in fines.

#### POSEY'S HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING CHESAPEAKE, VA

File Number 2006-00009

COMPLAINANT – Shelby O'Dell and Buddy Andrews (Chesapeake, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Posey's failed to execute a written contract with all required provisions; failed to obtain required building permits; failed to honor the terms and conditions of a warranty; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705012813 and \$5,150 in fines.

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About DPOR and the Board for Contractors:
The Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) regulates nearly 40 commercial occupations and certain professions. The agency licenses or certifies more than 300,000 individuals and businesses ranging from architects and contractors to cosmetologists and professional wrestlers.

DPOR investigates reports of regulatory violations by licensees; pursues complaints of criminal activity by unlicensed practitioners; responds to business-related consumer inquiries and requests for license checks; administers recovery funds for consumers harmed in contractor or real estate transactions; and conducts mediation services and public awareness campaigns.

The Board for Contractors licenses more than 100,000 Virginia businesses and individuals. The Board is composed of a Class A general contractor; a sub-contractor; contractors specializing in utilities, commercial and industrial buildings, single-family residences, and home improvements; a building supplier; a local building official; licensed tradesmen in plumbing, electrical, and heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC); and two citizen members.

The Board administers the Virginia Contractor Transaction Recovery Fund, which provides monetary relief to eligible consumers who incur losses through the improper and dishonest conduct of a licensed contractor. The fund is supported entirely by assessments paid by licensed contractors, not by any tax revenues.

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